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In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 3.

Please amend claims 1 and 11 as follows:

1. (Amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding macrophage inflammatory protein 3-alpha (SEQ ID NO: 3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid molecule encoding macrophage inflammatory protein 3-alpha and inhibits the expression of macrophage inflammatory protein 3-alpha.

11. (Amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length which specifically hybridizes with at least an 8-nucleobase portion of an active site on a nucleic acid molecule encoding macrophage inflammatory protein 3-alpha (SEQ ID NO: 3).

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claim 3 has been canceled. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these amendments and the following remarks.